Service Date: December 8, 1983

### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF		
THE MONTANA POWER COMPANY TO	)	
ISSUE AN ADDITIONAL 500,000	)	
SHARES OF ITS COMMON STOCK	)	DOCKET NO. 6641
IN CONNECTION WITH ITS DIVIDEND	)	ORDER NO. 4480a
REINVESTMENT AND STOCK PURCHASE	)	
PLAN.	)	
	)	

On November 22, 1983, The Montana Power Company ("Applicant") filed with the Public Service Commission its Application for authority to issue an additional 500,000 shares of its common stock in connection with its Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan ("Plan") heretofore approved in this Docket.

The Applicant states that its Board of Directors has been informed that the supply of shares available under the Plan was anticipated to be exhausted by the end of 1983 and that the above Application was duly authorized by resolutions of the Board of Directors.

The Application contains financial statements and other relevant exhibits.

Having considered the Application and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following:

### **FINDING OF FACT**

That notice of the filing of the Application has been duly given; that due consideration has been given to the matters presented in connection therewith; and that the Application should be approved as hereinafter ordered.

### **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

That the Application complies with MCA § 69-3-501 through 69-3-507, inclusive, and other laws of Montana, and the same should be granted as hereinafter ordered.

### **ORDER**

At a session of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held in its office at 1227 11th Avenue, Helena, Montana on, December 5, 1983 there came before the Commission the Application above described. The Commission, being fully advised in the premises, makes and enters the following Orders:

IT IS ORDERED that the Application of the Applicant, The Montana Power Company, for an order authorizing the issuance of an additional 500,000 shares of its common stock in connection with its Dividend Reinvestment and Stocke Purchase Plan be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all other terms and conditions of Order No. 4480 in this Docket remain in full force and effect.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION at Helena, Montana, this 5 day of December, 1983, by a 5-0 vote.

# DOCKET NO. 6641 ORDER NO. 4480a

# BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

	THOMAS J. SCHNEIDER, Chairman
	JOHN B. DRISCOLL, Commissioner
	HOWARD L. ELLIS, Commissioner
	CLYDE JARVIS, Commissioner
	DANNY OBERG, Commissioner
ATTEST:	
Madeline L. Cottrill Commission Secretary	
(SEAL)	
	quest the Commission to reconsider this decision. A within ten (10) days. <u>See</u> 28.2.4806, ARM.